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### ANALYZING THE VOICE.

A Washington newspaper man was a day or two ago permitted to serve as the first subject one of the most unique experiments lately made by science. He had his several organs of voice and speech attached to a series of interesting instruments of precision, had their sounds and motions analyzed thereby, and he saw the analysis written by the organs themselves in an odd alphabet of white zigzag lines upon a sheet of black paper. Strangest of all, he sang a song, while the music was simultaneously recorded in the way. He may now take the record to a musician and have his memory of the air tests.

The experiments were made in the well-known laboratory of Arthur MacDonald, specialist of the Board of Education, who has gained fame in the scientific world as an experimental anthropologist, though better known to the popular mind as a criminologist. No person in this country has before been subject to the test in question The instruments used were brand new, and had just been received from a famous maker in France.

According to the best authorities the voice is more sensitive to emotion than any of the other physical means of expressing the conditions of the mind. High emotional conditions, although often disguised by the muscles producing facial expression, will almost always be betrayed by the muscles governing utterance. The organs of utterance therefore might be called the most reliable indices of the emotional state. Dr. MacDonald believes that one of the most fruitful methods of studying man is to regard him as a mechanism, to measure and record his motions and forces as you would those of an engine or a dynamo. The machinist places his indicators upon the inanimate machine and can study its condition thereby. The student of the human machine can just as well place indicators upon the working organs of man, and these indicators will speak for themselves.

Five instruments of precision are used in the doctor's interesting analysis of voice and speech. These are attrached to the larynx, the lips, the palate, the tongue and the chest. The vocal organs may best be compared with a toy balloon whistle. The balloon represents the lungs, the connecting tube represents the windpipe, and the whistle in the end of the tube represents the larynx, or "Adam's apple." Speech and voice are entirely distinct. There can be voice without speech, as in a groan, a laugh, etc. There can be speech without voice, as in a whisper. The primary organs of speech are the lips, the tongue and the palate.

The first experiment made was an analysis of the voice, the object being to record the larynx actions. For this purpose the doctor prepared to attach to the throat a complicated device called the laryngograph or larynx writer. The subject was directed to remove his coat and collar. A tightly-fitting elastic belt was fitted about his bare neck. In front was attached the instrument proper, which consisted of two vertical and parallel rods of steel rested on the upper part of the chest, being long enough to include the chin between them. Pivoted between them was a small concave clasp, padded with soft cloth. This fit snugly over the exterior protuberance of the larynx. The same clasp was attached to the end of a lever which worked up and down like a telegraph key. Every time he unconsciously raised his larynx this lever lifted itself, and *vice versa*. The motion was telegraphed to a little point of bamboo resting against a revolving cylinder covered with smoked paper. The motion was transmitted by pneumatic force. A hose with a little bellows of rubber at either end connected the transmitter with the recorder. Whenever his larynx elevated itself the mimicking pointer repeated the movement, and when the same organ was lowered the motion was just as accurately duplicated.

#### RECORD OF THE VOICE.

The paraphernalia having been carefully tested he was told to repeat the alphabet in a natural tone of voice, slowly and distinctly. As he began the doctor turned a small lever, and the cylinder of the recording instrument commenced to revolve. As he uttered the last letter the cylinder was as suddenly stopped. He was now allowed to examine the smoked paper. A long, white, irregular line had been traced by the bamboo point over a portion of the circumference. The tracing was a series of waves and angles of all sizes, indicating that his larynx had made a characteristic move with the utterance of each letter. The explanation was simple. It is a well-known fact that the larynx is raised in the throat in proportion to the height of pitch in which a sound is made thereby, and that it falls proportionately with the depth of the pitch. In saying the alphabet one naturally begins the utterance of each letter in a lower pitch than that in which the last sound is made. To utter the letters one after another without the slightest change of pitch would result in a tiresome and expressionless monotony of sound. Thus his larynx had written its characteristic alphabet. It will be interesting to find the larynx alphabets of many people in this way and to compare them. In general they will doubtless be found to agree. Yet in detail there will be the same difference which we notice in the varying expressions and inflections of different people's voices.

#### MAY CHANGE THE MUSICAL SYSTEM.

But the greatest value of the laryngograph, aside from its analysis of ordinary voice pitch, is its adaptation to the measurement of song. The subject being asked to sing a line or two of some familiar air selected the first two lines of "Annie Laurie." The effect was of increasing interest. The larynx had traced its motions this time in a remarkably pronounced zigzag line, definitely showing the exact changes of pitch, which were, of course, more sudden. A greater compass of the voice was necessary for singing. The experiment proved that the laryngograph will accomplish all that is expected of it, as a song-writer. A musician familiar with its principles may readily take this record and translate the air to the ordinary characters used in writing music. Suppose that we draw a series of horizontal lines, representing the musical staff and running in the direction which would have been followed by the pointer of the recording instrument had it been held still. Here we will have the relative changes of pitch rising above and falling below the separate lines. The upper and lower points of the various waves will indicate the relative upper and lower notes. A tuning fork will give the pitch of the initial note, and the relative pitches of the remaining notes may be estimated by applying a scale, to be devised after many experiments have been made. A straight horizontal line will indicate a pause, a horizontal vibratory wave a long continuation of a single pitch.

In time, the employment of such waved lines, instead of the present figures might simplify musical cript. The singer might then cause his larynx to trace for him the music of a new songsimultaneously with its rendition. Before this is perfected many experiments and many measurements must be made. The cylinder may be adapted to revolve in a time agreeing with the present standard of space on the music sheet. But leaving this possibility alone, the laryngograph will enable experimenters to compare the voices and vocal organs of various persons.

#### THE LIPS' MOVEMENTS REGISTERED.

The next instrument to be applied was the labiograph, for noting and recording the actions of the lips during utterance. In studying the lip we must pass from the mechanics of the voice to the mechanics of the speech. The lips denote the character of speech more clearly and definitely than any of the other organs whereby it is produced, although the tongue has always been credited with the principal function in conversation. The deaf may now be educated to understand speech entirely by the motion of the lips. So successfully has this been accomplished that a regular system of labial conversation has been devised for the deaf institutions.

The labiograph is a simple device. Attached to an upright pedestal are two flat parallel tongs of brass, grooved on their exterior sides to fit the lips and hinged together at right angles to the pedestal. The instrument is so made that the tongs are held normally open by a spring. As they close they compress a small circular bellows of rubber, which connects by tube with the bellows moving the point of the recorder. When the lips are closed the point of the recorder is raised, and *vice versa*. The changing position of the pointer traces a waved line upon the smoked paper, when the cylinder revolves, as before. The doctor then told his subject to place the tongs between his lips, allowing them to rest against the teeth, and to say this alphabet as before. As he opened his lips the two rods parted proportionately, and as he closed them the motion was repeated with equal accuracy. The curves recorded by the lips during the recitation of the alphabet were much more pronounced than those traced by the larynx. The height of the curve varied with each letter, showing that there is a characteristic space between the lips as required by each utterance. The letters requiring the closing of the lips were indicated by the highest curves. Those were "b," "f," "m," "p," "w" and "y." The letters requiring only a slight contraction of the lips and those requiring the lips to be held far apart during their utterance, were indicated by slight waves and hollows respectively. While pronouncing "w" the lips appeared to draw a double wave, first a high one and then a somewhat smaller one. The experiments made on the laryngograph were repeated.

#### VALUE OF COMPARISONS.

Although the instruments described are perhaps the most interesting of the series in question, the motions of the tongue, soft palate and lungs were as readily recorded by similar devices. Thus Dr. MacDonald is able to analyze a single letter, word or line of prose or music, and to find its five mechanical constituents—the larynx motions, labial motions, plate motions, tongue motions and chest motions. By measuring these processes, as employed by many persons, he hopes to definitely learn the mechanical principles of utterance used by different nationalities, by the deaf and by the various people of this country. Such a study will from a new and interesting chapter in both philology and music, it being the first practical study of the mechanics of human utterance. It is known that in some languages there are employed sounds impossible for other nationalities to pronounce. Such instuments may also be valuable for diagnosing cases of defective speech. Dr. MacDonald, however, refuse to make deductions from any of his laboratory data until he has examined many subjects and has drawn averages from their records. He values these averages only in proportion to the number of subjects examined.—*Philadelphia Record.*

### Rev. Mr. Dantzer's Appointments.

DECEMBER.

18—7.30 P.M., St. Paul's, Rochester, lecture.
20—10.30 A.M., St. Paul's, Rochester, Holy Communion.
20—7.30 P.M., St. James, Buffalo, Evening Prayer.

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The man who lives only for himself couldn't be engaged in any smaller business.

The mother of Moses did more for the world than the king who built the pyramids.

The sin that will stick to you is the one you expect to give up without any help from Christ.

### BUFFALO, N. Y.

A lecture "His Trip to Palestine and Other Countries in Europe," was given to the deaf of Buffalo, last Saturday evening, by Rev. Mr. Smith, interpreted by Rev. Mr. Berry. It was a very interesting one. There was a small attendance. It was too bad that all the deaf did not see the lecture, for it was worth attending. Rev. Mr. Berry made signs very gracefully, and every one can understand him very plainly. Rev. Mr. Smith touched upon many ancient historic spots in Palestine and Egypt, and from the details of his lecture, we can glean the ideas that he has learned considerable of ancient history, etc., etc., when visiting there.

After the lecture, a magic lantern exhibition was given too. Among the scenes were. The Nile River and water system, pyramids, sphinx, Pompey's Pillar, St. Peter's Church, Rome and Pope's carriage, Smyrna, Damascus, Dead Sea and Jericho, Cairo, and some parts of Italy and Egypt, etc.

The following is from the *Leader:*

"THANKSGIVING PARTY.

"The young ladies of St. Mary's Literary Society entertained the Dunne Social Club, and other friends, at a pleasant gathering on Thanksgiving evening. There were about fifty present. They met in the assembly hall, where card tables were set for progressive euchre, and the greater number joined in this pleasant game, that is old yet ever new. Other amusements were improvised for for those who did not play cards. Among them was "Putting the tail on the Donkey." This created considerable fun. Two prizes were given to the ones who succeeded in putting it on the right place. Mr. William Briel won first prize—a set of silver nut-picks. The second prize, two books, was won by Miss Mary Gleason. Four prizes were given at cards. The first prize, a toilet case, was won by Mr. Robert Watts. The second prize, a picture of the Holy Family, was won by Miss Katie Knorr. The first booby prize, won by Mr. Walter Wheldon, was a meerschaum pipe. The pipe is so pretty that the winner thinks it worth while to have been the booby. The second booby prize was a silver thimble, won by Miss Katie Hirz.

"About eleven o'clock they repaired to the dining room, where covers were laid for a substantial repast. Rev. Father Gilmore, being the guest of honor, sat at the head of the table, and at the close made a pleasing address. A very pleasant evening was spent. Most of those present having been school companions, former pupils of the institution, old associations and reminiscences made delightful topics wherewith to pass the time till about twelve o'clock, when they bade each other good-night. The young ladies received many compliments for the graceful manner in which their entertainment was conducted.

The following I clip from the *Evening News*, November 27th:—

Before spring ground will be broken for a magnificent new building at the corner of Main Street and Forest Avenue, for a deaf-mute institute.

The present buildings on the site have been considered a branch of the house in Edward Street, but with the completion of the proposed new building, the order will be reversed.

All the girls and the very small boys will be transferred to the new building, while the large boys will remain in the old place. At present 126 students are registered at the Edward Street Institution, 68 of whom are girls, and 35 at the Main Street branch.

QUARTERS TOO SMALL.

Owing to the limited amount of room the faculty has been unable to accommodate all who have sought admission and an immediate change was necessary.

The institution is one of the best of its kind in the country, and numbers among its pupils children from all parts of the United States and Canada.

The State has placed its stamp of approval on it by giving it substantial financial support. The present site was donated for the purpose by Louis Stephen Le Couteulx, a Frenchman who did much for the advancement of Buffalo's interests.

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH.

The Order of the Sisters of St. Joseph was the one chosen to carry on the great work of teaching the deaf-mutes and opening up to them a means of enjoying the privileges of education.

The project has been successful beyond the most ambitious hopes of those directly interested.

The Edward Street building was erected 35 years ago and Mother Mary Ann, who is now Superioress of the Order, was appointed its first president. The flourishing condition of the institution is due to her keen business ability.

Another clipping from the Buffalo *Evening Times*, Dec. 2d:—

"The largest meeting in the history of Branch 43, Ladies Catholic Benevolent Society was held last evening in the Holy Angels' School Hall, at Porter and West Avenues. The occasion was an important one as, officers for the ensuing year were to be elected. The contest was one of the warmest in the life of the society, and the result was gratifying to the followers of the successful candidates. Most interest was centered in the offices of President, Recorder and Financial Secretary, and no small amount of electioneering was done. Dr. Jane W. Carroll, the candidate for President, made a strong canvass against Miss Mary A. Navaugh and won the day. Mrs. Archie McLean also made an effort and was victorious over Miss Katie Horn.

"The official list of elected officers is as follows:—

"Dr. Jane W. Carroll, president; Mrs. M. Lee, first vice-president; Mrs. Archie McLean, recorder; Miss Mary McGee, finanical secretary; Miss Mary McEvoy, treasurer; Miss Day, Marshall, Miss Mary Calmer, Guard; Mrs. Jennie Well, Mrs. Catherine Murphy, Mrs. Isabel Ruce, Board of Trustees; Miss Katharine McDermott, Delegate."

The above is the mother of M. A. Carroll. Dr. Evangeline Carroll, sister of M. A. C., left for Paterson, N. J., to spend all winter with her grandmother, Mrs. Wall.

Mr. Edward Hahn returned home about two weeks ago.

Mr. Solomon D. Weil's mother and sister left for New York last week.

Mr. Stowell was in this city to spend the day with Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Kowald two weeks ago.

The friends of Miss Belle Kowald, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kowald, tendered her a Thanksgiving party.

Mr. W. DeWitt Himrod, of Erie, Pa., spent Thanksgiving with his friends in the city. His wife and little daughter are in Charleston, S. C., to spend winter with her folks there.

Mr. Frank Baumgart, who was arrested for stealing bicycles twice, is now in the Elmira Reformatory.

Mr. John Knorr has been laid up at the Riverside Hospital, on La Fayette Avenue, for ten days. He underwent an operation. Ye scribe saw him two weeks ago, and he said he feels much better than he has for two years. He was a pupil of Le Couteulx St. Mary's Deaf-Mute Institution in this city.

Mr. William Hallett, of Niagara Falls, left for Pittsburg, three weeks ago.

Mrs. William Briel and her little daughter are still in Monroe, Mich. Ye scribe hopes that they will return home as soon as Mrs. Briel's mother's health is recovered.

The *Michigan Mirror* prints a very interesting poem, respectfully dedicated to Mr. A. S. Long, of Eaton Rapids, Mich. The poem was written by a deaf gentleman, Mr. Orlo Dobson, of Quincy, Mich.

The Dunne Social Club has decided to have an "apron and necktie party" on the 31st of December.

Any visitor, who may come to Buffalo during the holidays, will have a good time.

Ye scribe, with a friend, went shopping yesterday at one of the largest dry goods stores—Adams, Meldrum & Co. We sauntered to one of the counters where the sterling silver things are, and met a young lady clerk who can talk with one hand. She told me that her mother was deaf, and she is the niece of Dr. Peet's wife. Unfortunately, ye scribe did not ask her name.

Just two weeks more, and Christmas with all its joys and pleasures will be here. I wish your readers a Happy New Year.

STARLOCK.

Dec. 9th 1896.

The faith that will move mountains after awhile is moving a good many smaller things now.

It must be a settled principle with the Christian that his life in Christ shall be a life of faith.

The world is robbed by the man who lives in it and goes out of it without having lived for its good.

### GALLAUDET HOME.

Saturday afternoon, the 14th, Mr. Chester Q. Mann took a north bound train at Fishkill for New Hamburgh. Arriving at the station, he found Janitor Gardener waiting for him with a horse and wagon. Mr. Mann said that while he was on a collecting trip in the interests of the Home two months ago, he experienced some ill luck in Schenectady, but was more successful in Utica and got fifteen dollars.

Mr. Mann conducted chapel services on Sunday, November 15th. He wore a surplice, and looked well in it. On his way up the Hudson a couple of days latter, he stopped in Poughkeepsie, Highland, Saugerties and Kingston. He met several deaf-mutes, and called upon Mr. George W. Schutt at his place of business. During his sojourn in Highland Mr. Mann had the pleasure of forming the acquaintance of Miss Bulis, whose twelve year old sister Lillie is at the Fanwood school. James H. Caton requested Mr. Mann to remain at his house over night, but as Miss Bulis was going back to Kingston, Mr. Mann accompanied her. The people in the last mentioned city seem to know a little about this charitable Institution.

Miss Willey, to whom reference was made in a previous letter, informed us that she had a deaf-mute aunt named Miss Jerosha Willey, of Clinton, Dutchess Co., New York. Miss Willey was graduated from the New York Instintion in 1838, and died seven years afterwards.

Last month the vines on the front side of the main building were taken down. The walls present a bare and grim appearance.

Dr. Edward H. Parker, a leading physician of Poughkeepsie, died at his residence there on the 10th of November, aged seventy-three years. He had been sick for a long time, suffering from debility. The funeral was largely attended, the interment being in the Rural Cemetery, which is on the outskirts of the city. Dr. Parker was the husband of Mrs. Jennie Wright Parker, one the lady managers of the Home. Rev. Dr. Niles, rector of St. Paul Episcopal Church, Sing Sing, N. Y., is a son-in-law of the deceased by the first wife.

When Mrs. Davis went to New York City on a visit recently, she took a tiny cradle, which Mr. Sprague made for Little Helen Davis. The child was delighted with the rocker, put her doll to sleep in it, and sung a sweet lullaby. Helen does not forget her blind friend.

Miss Anna Gardener called here Tuesday afternoon, the 17th, to see Mrs. Totten, as something had happened to her.

Mr. Mandeville K. Nelson underwent a painful operation a short time ago at a hospital in Washington, D. C., no less than eleven tumors were removed. Mandeville is a nephew of Principal E. B. Nelson, of the school for deaf-mutes in Rome.

The wedding of Miss Millard and Mr. Pitt will most likely take place at the former's home in Brewster, Putnam Co., on the 25th of the present month.

Gertrude, the three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Doenges, was baptized by Rev. Dr. Gallaudet in New York on a recent Sunday. The little girl is deaf and dumb.

A party of visitors drove to the Home on a beautiful November day, but as it was getting late, they would not come in.

Mrs. Roberts received a visit from her daughter Mary on the 18th. Miss Roberts returned to Middletown the next day. She can use the manual alphabet well.

Not long ago Janitor Gardener felled some trees with the assistance of Edwin Pallin. They kept sawing away till they got the old things down.

Mrs. Cary Elizabeth Peterson Gulick, whose untimely demise was recorded in the JOURNAL lately, lost her hearing when she was eight years old, from an attack of scarlet fever. Her husband, Peter B. Gulick, became deaf at the same age and from the same malady. The couple were married by Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, in Brooklyn, N. Y., more than a quarter of an century ago. Mrs. Gulick began to show her ability as a writer in the *Deaf-Mute Advance*, under the *nom de plume* of "Silver Arrow." Subsequently she took up her pen for this paper and the *Advocate*, passing as "Portia." Mr. and Mrs. Gulick were graduated from the High Class at Fanwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Adams, of Hyde Park, N. Y., called here a few weeks ago. They were visiting relatives at the farm-house down the road.

Juno did not kill ten chickens, as it was stated in our last letter, through misinformation.

Mr. A. Keller, of Batavia, N. Y., a German about sixty years of age was killed by the cars on November 24th, between Seneca Falls and Cayuga. He was riding his wheel on the railroad tracks, and being deaf was hurled into eternity. Mr. Keller married Miss Ella Sprague, a graduate of Fanwood.

Thanksgiving day is past. The inmates went to the chapel at the appointed hour and took their seats. Mr. C. Q. Mann gave an appropriate service. He told about the Puritans and the gallant ship, May Flower, which brought them over from England, where they had been persecuted for their religion. Dinner was served at two o'clock and all enjoyed it. A notice was put in the lower hall, that we would have an entertainment in the evening. A pretty good time was had.

Bennie Friday's mother sent him a package of nice clothes recently.

There has been a rumor afloat about the legislature and the Home, but your correspondent being unable to get anything satisfactory out of the matter, she can say no more concerning it. However, time will tell.

The one hundred and second anniversary of Dr. Harvey P. Peet's birthday, November 19th, was kept in sacred remembrance by those of the inmates who had been under his kind care and instruction.

Mrs. W. H. Backus and Miss Amanda Drew, of Poughkeepsie, were morning callers Friday, the 20th. Miss Willey took them through the buildings.

Blind Richard Clinton is in receipt of a letter from Astoria, L. I., informing him of the death of his father, which occurred in New Jersey last October. It must be sad news.

LOUSIE.

### Mrs. Ballin's Suit Settled.

DEAR EDITOR:—It is a source of regret to me that the JOURNAL reprinted the article published in the *New York Herald* instead of one of those in the Washington papers, which were more comprehensive. But as the suit is now a matter of the past, it is not necessary to go over the ground again. Let the general result in a nutshell suffice.

The publicity given to this affair and the inevitable success of the suit favorably to my mother, broke down completely the stubborn stand taken by my brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Amateis.

They surrendered and restituted the whole property to my mother unconditionally.

Last Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. Amateis sailed for Italy, to stay there two years or more.

Since last spring my mother lived here with me on my little farm, and she will, in all likelihood, spend the rest of her days here. The arrangements effected are to our mutual satisfaction.

Here the dreams of my younger days are beginning to be realized. It has been always my ambition to place myself in the condition to devote my whole time to the study of *art* unembarrassed by the necessity of producing "pot-boilers," or attending to other business, which are great robbers of my time. "Art is long and life is short." Here I am surrounded by the beautiful in nature, my home environments very pleasant and conducive of elevating the soul. If I should never become great, measured from the worldly point of view, the contemplation and enjoyment of the sublime will be sufficient compensation.

My latch is at all times out for my friends who wish to visit me. Special invitations to them are unnecessary.

Yours most sincerely,

ALBERT V. BALLIN.

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*"He's true to God who's true to man:*
*Wherever wrong is done*
*To the humblest and the weakest*
*'Neath the all-beholding sun,*
*That wrong is also done to us,*
*And they are slaves most base,*
*Whose love of right is for themselves,*
*And not for all the race."*

IF the ghost of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet was abroad on December 10th, it must have noted that Gallaudet in the flesh would have been thrilled and gratified to see the honor paid his memory. Seldom has there been a more universal celebration of the natal day of the deaf's greatest benefactor. In New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, St. Louis and Boston, special celebrations were conducted by the deaf graduates of schools, while in almost every institution in the United States, the pupils assembled in the chapels of their respective schools, and were told about the pioneer of deaf-mute education in this country. Arnold Winkelreid, Robert Emmet, William Tell, Robert Bruce, Kosciusko, the immortal George Washington, and Abraham Lincoln, all live in the hearts of generations for their patriotic spirit and glorious deeds; so, among the deaf, Gallaudet's name will always be revered and honored.

EVEN the bicycle can not keep the deaf off the railroad track. Mr. Keller had one, and went to the railroad near Rochester, N. Y., to have a spin. The locomotive was too speedy for him, with the usual result. Mr. Keller's friends are mourning his sudden demise.

It seems queer that the deaf find such a fascination in the railroad. Fatalities every week do not seem to have an appreciable effect in curing the habit. Of all places for a bicycle ride, one would think the railroad would be last chosen. It certainly was the last chosen by Mr. Keller. Let other deaf-mute wheelmen profit by his experience. There is plenty of danger on the highway, with its tramps, its dogs, its ditches and its tack strewers; so, all things considered, it is preferable to cling to the usual route taken by horsemen and the majority of bicyclists.

ROOM is at a premium at the Ohio Institution. More deaf children than the school can accommodate are knocking at its doors and pleading for an education.

Additional buildings on the present site might suffice for many years to come; but it would be far wiser to sell out and purchase a new site and erect a model institution thereon.

The Philadelphia Institution at Mt. Airy is a convincing example of the benefits of a semi-rural location. Its removal from the old, cramped quarters on Broad Street to Mt. Airy, has opened up innumerable advantages and given a fresh impetus to the education of the deaf of the Keystone State. Ohio has an opportunity, if the money is forthcoming, to beat the earth; because in planning the new structures, it will be possible to include all that is excellent in the leading institutions and to avoid most of the defects.

A VERY ingenious attempt has been made by Harry Ash, of London, England, to describe signs by pictures.

Mr. Ash is an engraver, and has just published a little pamphlet of sixteen pages, entitled "Guide to Chirology," which contains about one hundred and forty wood-engravings, representing signs used by the deaf of Great Britain. There is no similarity to the American signs, except in one or two instances. The French and Americans use almost the same signs, but our English cousins are only understood by other nationalities when they resort to natural signs. Mr. Ash includes the single and double-hand alphabet in his book, also portraits of the Abbe de l'Epee and St. John of Beverley. The latter is mentioned as "the first known teacher of the deaf and dumb in the world. Born at Harpham-on-the-Wolds, Yorkshire. Died May 7th, 721, and was buried at Bever-Minster."

A frontispiece, in half tone, of "a deaf-mute wedding," and chapters on "Causes of Deafness," "Recreations of the Deaf," "The Sign Language," "Education of the Deaf," "The Deaf at Work," and "Institutions for the Deaf," contribute to the interest of the book. The price is twopence (four cents), and the author's address is "Harry Ash, 16 *a*, Mona Terrace, Chiswick, W., London, England."

### MORE ABOUT THE ARM ALPHABET.

EDITOR JOURNAL:—A few weeks ago I took the trouble to call on the Chief Signal Officer of the U. S. Navy, with the object of carrying out my own suggestion of last August and ascertaining whether our navy used a full arm alphabet, such as I had been told was in the code of the British navy's signals. The astute individual who presides in that office of our Bureau of Navigation assured me that he knew of no such code, either in our own service or that of any other nation. He even went so far as to point out to me that it would prove utterly impracticable; for said he, any signal which can not be clearly discerned at a distance of two miles is useless.

I was obdurate.

I told him that I had my information as far as Her Majesty's navy was concerned from a pretty reliable source.

He smiled.

Then I asked him if he would not give me the title of some book in the Navy Department's library wherein I could study up the matter for myself. This was a pretty "raw" suggestion, in view of his assurance of the non-existence of the code I was looking for, and he very properly declined.

I did not accept his declaration as final, however.

The British Embassy has a naval attache—Capt. Lewis Dintz. I decided to appeal to him. Here another difficulty presented itself. Capt. Dintz was on leave of absence in England; but I dispatched a letter to him forthwith, and I append his reply, just received:

LONDON, Nov. 28, 1896.

DEAR SIR:—In reply to your letter of Nov. 14, I beg to say that the "Semaphore," a system of spelling words by different positions of two or three [!] arms, has been in use in Her Majesty's Navy for about thirty years, and is at this moment the common method of communicating between ships, when flags are not employed.

You will probably find it in any common naval handbook, such as Admiral Bedford's "Pocket Book," etc., etc.

I am, sir,
Faithfully Yours,
LEWIS DINTZ.

I have not looked up a hand-book on the subject, but I think it will be found that the "Semaphore" does not include a separate position of the arms for each letter of the alphabet, but rather a varying combination of a few positions. This is assuming that the Semaphore arm signals are based on the flag signals bearing the same name.

I am still confident that I was given a representation of the entire alphabet by the son of Admiral Dacres, to whom I alluded in my former communication on this subject; and it may be that the British navy uses the name "Semaphore" arbitrarily to designate a complete series of alphabetic "signs."

W. W. BEADELL.

Miss Millie L. Sanford will be married to Mr. Fred. Knox, at the home of the bride's parents in Brooklyn, on Wednesday, December 30th. Both are graduates of Fanwood.

Miss Marie Ann Ingebrand, sister of Johnny Ingebrand, a former pupil of Fanwood, eloped with her "Willie"—Mr. William D. Galbraith, a traveling salesman. Papa Ingebrand is determined not to forgive the couple.

In many of our kindred Institutions across the line there is much discussion going on as to the best methods of dividing the time spent by the pupils in school and shops, so as to get the best results from both. Without claiming perfection, we think that our arrangement is as good as any. Our pupils put 4½ hours per day in the class room, and from 1 to 1½ hours at evening study; in the shops they work about 3 hours per day and half a day on Saturday. In addition to this there is the post-graduate course for pupils who have passed the limit and these work 8½ hours each week day expect Saturday. We notice that in many schools this post graduate course is finding favor.—*Canadian Mute.*

### FANWOOD.

Miss Eva Buckingham was tendered a suprise party on Wednesday night. Miss Prudence Burchard had charge of the affair and everything turned out just as she had planned. At half past seven the resident teachers and officers took possession of the kitchen, and when Miss Buckingham was persuaded to go down there, to say that she was surprised is putting it mildly. The ladies were dressed as school girls, and the gentlemen in any costume that took their fancy—one was attired in golf togs somewhat too small for him. One assumed the character of an old woman. It was not long before the lady in whose honor the party was inaugurated was made to feel at home. The ladies went to work and manufactured candy, the gentlemen assisting them in more than one way—but mostly in helping make away with it as fast as they could. Fun and dancing and merry making was kept up till 10 o'clock. Those present were:—Principal Currier, Steward and Matron Wilcox, Messrs. R. D. Hoyt, W. H. Van Tassel, Wesley Van Tassel, J. R. and C. R. Wilcox, W. G. Shanks, E. S. Burdick and A. Capelli; Misses Eva Buckingham, Ida Montgomery, Fayetta Peck, Prudence Burchard, Harriet C. Hall, Bessie L. Nixon, Florence G. Smith, Stella B. Hanmer, Anna Clark, Mary E. Unkart, Helen B. Andrews, Myra L. Barrager, Ethel R. C. Caparn, Amelia E. Berry, Annie McGill, Ellen Ross.

Friday, last, Physical Director Cook set to work to form a basket-ball league. It comprises about nine teams. Match games have not yet been played. Monday the boys were given a little practice, and all seem to show an aptitude for the game.

Cold weather has put an end to the regular battalion parade, but the boys are still drilled in doors, each company in turn. This is important so that the boys will not lose the gait which they have acquired.

Mr. Townsend, a director, was shown around the buildings by Prof. Currier, Saturday.

Col. John R. Fellows died at his residence on 152d Street, last week. Col. Fellows was a familiar figure to most of the older pupils. The boys of the boat club often saw him while on their way to the boat house. The interment was in Trinity Cemetery.

J. H. K.

### South Bend, Ind.

Elijah Cripe, of Goshen, was in this city about two weeks ago.

Mr. Nordyke, of Laporte, visited here a couple days.

Mr. Thorpe, of Michigan, spent a couple of weeks with deaf friends.

Religious service was held in the house of Miss Huggart on Saturday night, and a large congregation listened to a sermon of unusual excellence and interest. Rev. Mr. Hasentab, of Chicago, preached.

The Social Club was very elegantly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Willie L. Hunt, on Thanksgiving night, at the home of Mrs. Hagley, about twenty mutes being present. Games and taffy-pulling was indulged in.

The new man and new woman sociable held Thanksgiving evening was an enjoyable affair. The *Reporter* had a short account of it, and notices the deaf were not silly enough to go to extremes, as the only approach to the new woman costume was a young lady who had a white shirt-front on. The only new man was one who appeared in bloomers. The affair was held for private profit.

South Michigan Street was the scene of a happy mute social given by Mr. and Mrs. Pischke, by their friends, last Sunday. The dinner was enjoyable. Turkey, coffee, strawberries, cakes, etc., were served. The following named were present: Messieurs and Mesdames Arnots, Hunts, Nordyke, of Laporte; Mr. Coope and Miss Gertie Wells, of Mishawaka; Ira Keller.

When in South Bend, it was with Ira Keller: Indianapolis first and forever, Kalamazoo, Mich., second, and Chicago last and forever. The kind old gent with the horse-shoe mustache is a diplomat, and changes his sentiments as often as his residence, for apparent reasons.

Ira Keller and Willie Hunt are employed as first-class barbers in this city, and are doing a successful business.

Miss Gertie Wells, of Mishawaka, was the guest of Mrs. Hunt last Sunday.

Ira Keller returned from Indianapolis, Ind., and Kalamazoo, Mich., about three weeks ago.

Mr. Andrew Ayres, a mute gentleman, of Detroit, Mich., who worked in Duffy's barber shop, told W. L. Hunt that he went to St. Louis, November 6th, intending to marry a hearing lady. He returned to this city, and said his sweetheart was sick with typhoid fever, and that the marriage was deferred. He stopped at Chicago to look for to work.

Last October, Mr. Pischke said that he had invented a machine that will milk seventy-five cows per hour without any milkman.

I. K. AND W. H.

### HONORING GALLAUDET.

THE MANHATTAN LITERARY ASSOCIATION HOLDS ITS ANNUAL CELEBRATION.

The Manhattan Literary celebrated the birthday anniversary of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, on December 10th, with its usual good taste and customary success.

There were thirty-four present. More would have attended, but the limited capacity of the banquet hall, made it necessary to deny fourteen late applicants.

Secretary Froehlich read a letter from Dr. E. M. Gallaudet, of Gallaudet College, saying that an engagement elsewhere deprived him of the pleasure of being with the Manhattan Literary Association. He writes: "I am sure you will have a fine time for you always do. The Deaf of New York are progressive and full of life and energy."

The following is from Enoch Henry Currier, M. A., Principal of the New York Institution:—

THEODORE A. FROEHLICH, *Secretary.*

MY DEAR MR. FROEHLICH:—I am in receipt of your invitation to be present at the banquet to be given by the Manhattan Literary Association, and am exceedingly sorry that an engagement for that evening will prevent my joining with you on the occasion, as has been my pleasure for many years past.

The beneficial results of the labors of this grand pioneer in the work of deaf-mute education will increase in their magnitude as the years roll on, and so they shall continue until the dawn of the millenium, when all the infirmities of humanity will be swept away.

Appreciating very fully your courtesy, I am,

Very sincerely yours,
ENOCH HENRY CURRIER,
*Principal.*

A telegram from Mr. Thomas F. Fox was received, stating, that just as he was about to start for the banquet an accident occurred preventing his attendance.

Following is the—

MENU.

Bluepoints.

Cream of Tomatoes and Croutons.
Olives, Celery, Radishes.
[Haut Sauternes.

Salmon-Hollandaise Sauce.
Potato Croquettes.

Filet de Boeff, piquee a la Financiere
Flageolets—Artichokes farcis.
[St. Julien.

Sorbet Benedictine.

Roast Partridge, Currant Jelly
Celery Mayonnaise.

Fancy Ice Cream.
Assorted Fruit.
Cheese

Cafe Noir.

The guests were seated around at shape table, at the head of which President Souweine sat. On his right were Mrs. Souweine, Rev. Dr. Gallaudet, Miss Peet, Miss B. Gallaudet, Mr. Hodgson, Mr. Froehlich, Mrs. Wright, Mr. Sonneborn, Mrs. Smith, Mr. W. P. Smith, Mr. Nuboer, Mr. Frankenheim, Mr. Bachrach, Mr. Kohlman, Mr. Bloom, Mr. M. Loew, Mr. S. M. Brown; on the left of the President were Mrs. Gallaudet, Dr. Peet, Miss E. Gallaudet, Mrs. Loew, Mrs. Loew, Mr. Theodore S. Rose, Mr. Russel, Mrs. Russel, Mrs. Heyman, Mr. Heyman, Mr. Mandle, Mrs. Schoenfeld, Mr. Gass, Mr. Gilbert, Mr. Miller, Mr. Pach.

President Souweine introduced the speech-making in a felicitous address, and called upon all to pledge the memory of Gallaudet, which was done standing.

Dr. I. L. Peet was first called upon. He complimented the Manhattan Literary Association, its president and his better half, whom Dr. Peet said was one of Fanwood's fairest and most intelligent graduates. He then paid a glowing tribute to Gallaudet, which we were unable to produce for publication.

Rev. Dr. Thomas Gallaudet spoke as follows:

This is the 109th anniversary of the birth of my beloved father, Rev. Dr. Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet.

The angels bore him to the rest of Paradise on September 10th, 1851, when he was in the 64th year of his earthly pilgrimage. His body was buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Hartford, Connecticut. The body of his devoted deaf-mute wife rests by his side in our family plot. My mother survived my father upwards of twenty-five years, and accomplished much good for deaf-mutes at the Institution in Washington, D. C. What an effective object lesson as to the value of education for deaf-mutes was given by him when he married one of his pupils.

My father's useful and valuable life was divided into four parts—his school, college, and theological seminary training—his devotion to the education of deaf-mutes (were he alive to-day he would be a supporter of the combined system) the writing of of books for the young after declining invitations to several important positions, and the religious care of the insane as the chaplain of the retreat in Hartford, Conn.

My father was a Congregationalist minister. Though he had no settled charge, he often couducted services and preached in various churches.

He was devoted to the great work of general education, promoting improvements in schools, academies and colleges. He was a co-worker with Dr. Henry Barnard, the distinguished educator, who still lives, at the age of 86, in Hartford.

My father was a sincere Christian, though he respected the religious belief of those who differed from him. He cultivated the graces of humility, honesty, candor, gentleness, cheerfulness and charity. May the deaf-mutes of this nation and other nations, show their esteem of their great benefator by following his example in the cultivation of their personal characters.

Speeches were made by Messrs, E. A. Hodgson, Theo. A. Froehlich and Alexander Lester Pach.

The affair lasted till nearly midnight, and was a very pleasant and enjoyable one.

# ST. LOUIS.

## Honoring the Benefactor of the Deaf.

## "THE ORAL FAD."

## A Variety of News Paragraphs.

*From our St. Louis Correspondent.*

St. Louis was not lacking in appropriately celebrating the birth of Thomas H. Gallaudet, and although probably not as sumptuous as those advertised to be given in other cities, was indeed a warm and grateful moment for a few hours to the memory of our dead benefactor. It was more impressive and with a marked degree of enthusiasm than the one last year.

It was given under the auspices of St. Thomas' Mission, in the gymnasium hall, which had been cleared away and so arranged for the occasion. The day and evening were as beautiful and refreshing as you could make it, and a large crowd was present in excellent spirits. The programme was as follows:

Prayer.....Minster St. Thomas Mission.
Hymn.
"Why we celebrate the Anniversary of Gallaudet's birth.....A. L. Palmer
The Unveiling and Remarks...J. H. Cloud
The Youth of Gallaudet..A. G. Rodenberger
Gallaudet Abroad.....G. D. Hunter
Gallaudet at Hartford.....L. O. Cloud
Sophia Fowler (Mrs.) Gallaudet.....
.....Alice Conway
Gallaudet the Benefactor.....Ralph Udell
Gallaudet and methods of deaf-mute instruction.....A. M. Blanchard
Alice Cogswell.....Mrs. Blanchard
Doxology.....Choir
Benediction...Minister St. Thomas Mission

The choir which opened the exercises with a beautiful hymn comprised Mesdames Cloud, Merrell, Udell, Schneider; Misses Schum, and Klug; and Messrs. Chenery, Hammer, Jones and Miller. Mr. Palmer, who was a new face to most of the audience, rallied himself and gave an oration as fine as his French beard. Rev. J. H. Cloud recounted the unveiling of the Gallaudet Statue, and discussed his experience in England, where the sign making is not as beautiful and comprehensive as ours. At the conclusion of his remarks, he expressed his greatest pleasure in announcing that the mission had received a valuable gift that day, from Mr. A. M. Blanchard. He pulled down a flag that hung on the wall behind the platform and we gazed upon them a life-size portrait of Thomas H. Gallaudet, done in pastel, 22 by 27 inches and mounted on a heavy gold-gift frame. All, especially the members of the church manifested a keen interest in the picture, which inmortalized the noble features of the man to whom they were doing honor, and joined in giving Mr. Blanchard an ovation.

Aug. Rodenberger touched his life up to his graduation at Yale, relating how he was beaten for the valedictory by being a few inches smaller than the man who made a draw with him in the selection for that honor. The chairman in introducing Mr. Hunter, said that his name is synonymous with the Mission Gallaudet went abroad,—*i. e.*, hunting for a method to instruct the deaf. Mrs. Cloud and Mr. Udell did their parts very creditably, and Miss Conway very prettily portrayed Sophia Fowler in receiving and accepting the proposal from Thomas to be his life partner, amid her sweet effeminate blushes. In "Alice Cogswell," by Mrs. Blanchard, her every motion was grace and poetry in itself. "The Oral Fad," is what Mr. Blanchard called his address, and it is of unusual interest from one who has never been to a school for the deaf. It was as follows:

Faith and Hope are noble and beautiful graces, but to be practically useful they should sometimes be guided by the Angel of Commonsense.

As Josh Billings says, "It's better not to know too much, than to know so many things that aint so," and to those qualified to judge, the case of the oralists would be stronger if the claims of some of its advocates were more moderate, reasonable, and in accordance with known facts. Yet I believe in teaching speech to the deaf, when it can be done with a practical degree of success; and still more strongly do I believe in preserving the speech of those not born deaf. So if this agitation will render forever impossible such criminal negligence as recently prevailed in some of the State schools, where children who could talk but not hear, were from pure neglect of any effort to preserve their vocal powers, allowed to become permanently mute, it will not have been in vain. We may do wonderful things in Utopia some day, but here and now we are bound by limitations of time, money, and ability of both teacher and pupil. I may speak strongly on this point, because I am practically myself an oralist; and thirty years of experience give me some knowledge of its limitations.

I have the advantage of having retained a slight sense of hearing, and almost perfect speech,—but my school was not an Institution, but the vastly larger one of the outer world, where I was brought in contact with a great variety of people, and so received an amount of discipline such as no other school could give. I am so far a lip-reader that I sometimes have short interviews with strangers without my deafness being discovered, but for any extended conversation, I am compelled to mention it, and request that they speak slowly and carefully. In short, I have to teach them how to speak to me, and with varying results. Sometimes conversation is easy—with others difficult—and with a few a resort to the pencil is absolutely necessary.

In social life I get on well with a few whose speech I am accustomed to, and who have by long practice learned how to address me;—the education in that respect having been mutual—but I understand only what is uttered directly to myself, and have never once been able to take part in a general conversation, nor have I ever been able to follow a lecture or any form of public speaking.

Similarly in the hearing schools, which I attended for several years. Knowing the subject of recitation, I could often, by great effort, catch what was specially addressed to myself, but could never follow the recitations of the others in the class, nor the explanations of the teacher; so I was really at a far greater disadvantage than I would have been in a school for the deaf, where everything would have been intelligible and every pupil has an equal opportunity.

In brief, my experience in hearing schools was a flat contradiction of the claims of some oralists, that the deaf can, and should, be placed in such schools after a preliminary training in speech and speech-reading.

What a teacher not especially trained or interested in the work would think of such mixed classes is a problem, but it would certainly be annoying, difficult, and unsatisfactory in results. As to the pupil, the isolation the embarrassment and multitudinous painful experiences which must result from such an unequal position, only those who have tried it can imagine. To myself it was a purgatory from which escape was bliss.

The congenitally deaf, of course, present the hardest problem, and its solution will never be found in a system which compels uniform methods for all. If they show capacity for a practically useful amount of speech let them acquire it, if it can be done without neglecting more important elements of education, but by all means sacrifice the method to the pupil, and never the pupil to the method.

We must bear in mind that the amount and quality of speech, which might serve within the limits of an Institution, when the teachers and attendants have become accustomed to the peculiar vocalization, is not sufficient for the outer world, where it often proves unintelligible, and *vice versa*—the pupil will have equal difficulty in reading the lips of strangers.

In short, this is a very practical age, and the Oralists fail most completely when they claim the greatest success for their system—outside the school room—and after school years.

My conviction is obviously that pure-oralism is not the system best calculated to develop the faculties of the deaf-mute, and qualify him for his unequal struggle with the world; neither can he meet the deaf educated by any other system on equal terms, for he is ignorant of their beautiful and expressive sign language; so instead of lessening it increases his isolation.

The really great teachers of the deaf devote all their energies to advancing the best interests of their pupils, whereas the champions of Oralism sacrifice the pupil to the system. It is time to stop moulding victims to fit a theory advanced by would-be reformers, who confessedly known but one side of the subject, and pride themselves on being ignorant of the only methods which have been *proved* successful.

Social intercourse wound up an hour left, and games were played by the chivalrous folk. As it always has been, it gave a very profitable time, shared by every one in eulogizing the dead friend, teacher and benefactor. And on the same day a year hence, the mission will be pleased to see all again in paying tribute to the father of our education.

W. E. Guss' lecture on "The Day and the Day After," of a political nature, did not come off at the club Saturday, on account of the weather, which was cold enough to freeze a dog. No doubt the Colonel's stories of glorious victory would make a good pie, so Chairman Hunter has stored it in his pantry and will announce the date later on.

Mr. James S. Chenery was at Indianapolis a day Wednesday, to witness the marriage of his brother, Edward, to a lady of that place. On that evening there was a banquet at the Union Station in this city in their honor, and many prominent railroad officials were present, including James. His brother is Superintendent of Telegraph at the station.

The Ladies' Mutual Improvement Society of the Illinois School have the writer's thanks for sending him a programme of their Gallaudet Day exercises. It is neatly printed, and has a cut of T. H. Gallaudet by the hand of T. J. Hainline.

J. E. Campbell took Miss Mary Miller over to see her relatives in St. Charles, Mo., last Sunday, and returned in company with her parents, who were staying there.

A. B. Dieckmann is hunting, around his parents' abode in Washington, Mo., and will not return until after New Year's. Mrs. Dickmann remains in the city, playing widow.

Edward J. McNamara's mother died Thanksgiving Day.

The Hoosiers tell me that Miss Yetta Mayer met in collision on her wheel with a buggy recently, in Evansville. She escaped with a few scratches, and her "hubby" is laid up in the bicycle hospital.

Miss Maggie Coyne, of East St. Louis, was at the Gallaudet exercises, with Miss Julia Gavin, of Pane, Ill., who is her guest.

Mayor Walbridge gave Mr. and Mrs. Merrell three of the five ducks presented to him by the Health Commissioner after a hunt.

Miss Ella J. Dillon has left her aunt's domicile, and lives with her sister on January Avenue.

Mr. H. D. Mandeville writes to me from Natchez, Miss., that he has arrived there safely. Regarding his wife's implication with Peter Stubenbordt in fraudulently obtaining a marriage license for Mr. Williams and Miss Gillespie, which created a sensation, he says: "I assert that I know absolutely nothing about it. I never even heard there was such a marriage until after I had been in Natchez some time, when a newspaper clipping telling about it was sent to me. It mortifies me greatly that my name should be mentioned in connection with it." He is all right now from an attack of typhoid fever. Mrs. Mandeville is still in Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Kerr have taken up a novel home at 4067 Delmar Boulevard.

At the 14th Street Theatre this joke is going on:

"A deaf and dumb man was knocked speechless by the Trolley yesterday."

"How was that?"

"The car passed over his hands."

PHIL DEAN.

### BALTIMORE.

The commodious basement of Primitive Baptist church, on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, December 9th and 10th, was brilliantly illuminated, and the scene of much gaiety, the occasion being the oyster supper and fair of the Ladies' Aid Society. The large hall was decorated with Chinese lanterns and a profussion of the stars and stripes. In the south west corner there were a confectionery table and toy store, well laden with cakes, sweetmeats, toys, etc. In the northern part of the room there was a fancy ware table. Around the room were small tables loaded down with tempting viands. Misses Iola Pettit and Helen Addison had charge of the ice cream department, and Misses Barry and Bertha Kriesel had charge of the supper department, and were assisted by Messrs. Cadden and Kavanagh. They were kept very busy supplying the wants of those present. In the north west corner of the room was provided a temporary kitchen, over which Mr. Frank Ving presided and turned out eatables in the oyster line that tickled the palate. Those who tasted the oysters, praise highly his skillful cooking.

Before the affair ended in the wee small hours, Mr. McElroy was was auctioneer, and sold nearly every thing except the toys, as we wanted to keep them for a "Christmas tree" party.

The hall was filled to its utmost capacity. It was a gastronomic success, and the committee were gratified at the undertaking of the affair. They were Misses Annie Barry, Chairman, Misses Bertha Kriesel, Maggie Schauman, Emma Schulte, Mrs. P. C. Boss, and Mrs. O. J. Whildin, and Messrs. McElroy and J. W. Briscoe.

Messrs. McElroy and J. Briscoe, who decorated the society hall, had reason to feel elated over the compliments they received.

"Myrtle," being full of mischief, asked a "burly" policeman to come in and see how the fair was going on. He accepted his invitation, and when he appeared it caused all the mutes to ask each other "what is the matter." He was asked to have a plate of ice-cream free, but he declined it with thanks. He wrote on a pad:

*Policeman:*—"I will be here to-morrow night and take some chances."

*Myrtle:*—"We close the fair to-night."

*Policeman:*—"Well; I will come back about ten o'clock."

*Myrtle:*—"All right."

The policeman went away, but when it was ten o'clock he did not come.

Those who won the prizes were: Mr. Moylan, a doll; Mrs. Bomhoff, a toilet case; Mrs. Clarence Teller, a tea set; and Mrs. Randt, a silk suspender.

Mr. O. J. Whildin came down from the Philadelphia Divinity School in time to attend the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Lister, of Eastern Shore, were at the fair and seemed to enjoy themselves.

Miss Annie Barry left here yesterday for Frederick, where she is a teacher at the school for the Deaf. We miss her greatly, as she is our idolized member of the society and is a hard worker and faithful member.

Mr. J. Ramsay, of Perrymann, Md., was seen at the society last Sunday. He has been out of employment for several weeks, but he went to work last Tuesday. He is a brick maker.

Nine deaf-mutes joined the M. E. Church to-day, and five mutes joined the M. E. Church as probationers.

Mr. J. A. Branflick's wife has been troubled with her eyes.

Rev. J. M. Koehler preached at interesting and impressive sermon before a large audience at Grace Church. The same sermon was preached before the students at Gallaudet College.

We hear that Mr. John C. Jump, of Milford, Del., is coming here in search of a job. He will remain here if the position proves congenial.

William Brown could not go to Washington, D. C., last Friday, as he intended, as he did not hear from his father.

A deaf and dumb man, whose name we cannot find, owing to our ignorance of the foreign language, and a young deaf girl, were quietly married last Thursday. The gentleman came from Russia. He knows some of our sign-language. He is a painter by trade.

MYRTLE.

James H. Caton, the blind deaf-mute, caught cold while visiting friends in New York, and is now sick at his home in Highland, N. Y., with erysipelas on his face.

# CHICAGO.

## Gallaudet Day in Chicago.

### LITERARY EXERCISES AND A BANQUET.

### Found With His Feet Frozen--Death of a Deaf-Mute Athlete -- Other News.

*(From our Chicago Correspondent.)*

[News items for this column may be sent to F. P. Gibson, 3716 Wabash Ave., Chicago.]

Chairman Colby, of the club's entertainment committee surprised the members with the finest program and arrangements for celebrating Gallaudet Day, Thursday evening, that the club has ever had. The program itself, as one can see in reading it below, was one that covered considerable of Gallaudet's life and work, and the way those, who took part carried out their allotted tasks, was indeed gratifying to those present. An inovation was the giving to the ladies a place on the program, and in the responses to the toasts at the banquet that followed, and that they acquitted themselves extremely well goes without saying. The general exercises, of which the program follows, was open to all—that is, the club opened its quarters to non-members as well as members for the occasion, thus departing from its usual custom in honor of the day :

Poem—*America*.....Mrs. G. E. Morton
Address—*Before Gallaudet*.....J. Gallaher
Poem—*How Sleep the Brave*...W. Zolinger
Address—*Gallaudet's Misson*.....
Mrs. P. J. Hasenstab
Poem—*The Gallaudet Monument*.....
Miss G. A. Rhodes
Address—*After Gallaudet*.....
G. T. Dougherty
Poem—*The Gallaudet Centennial*.....
Mrs. G. T. Dougherty
Prose Recitation—*Gallaudet's Greatness*...
Rev. P. J. Hasenstab

After this part of the program was completed, it was about 10:15 o'clock, and Mr. Colby requested those not members of the club to disperse. Then the members and their ladies sat down to a excellently arranged table, and proceeded "from feast of tongue to flow of soul." When the coffee was served the following list of toasts was proceeded with, Mr. Colby acting as toast-master, coffee being the beverage :

Our benefactor. Mrs. E. N. Bowes.
"None knew him but to love him,
None name him but to praise."

The First School. J. R. Cotton.
"Who hath depised the days of small things? for they shall rejoice."

The College. O. H. Regensburg.
"At Learning's fountain it is sweet to drink.
"'Tis wise to learn; 'tis God-like to create!"

The Past and the Future. Miss Griswold.
"There's a divinity that shapes our ends,
Rough-hew them how we will."

The Combined Method. F. P. Gibson.
"And method for good results—all methods and wedded to none."

Our Transatlantic Brethren. T. Ritchie.
"Great souls by instinct to each other turn,
Demand alliance, and in friendship burn."

Social Standing of the Deaf. Miss Wayman.
"A fellow-feeling makes one wondrous kind."

Industrial Pursuits of the Deaf.
C. C. Codman.
"In every rank, or great or small,
'Tis industry supports us all."

Missionary Work for the Deaf.
Rev. P. J. Hasenstab.
"Here for long years he trod,
Leading our hearts to God."

Mrs. Bowes and Mr. Cotton spoke of having personally met both Gallaudet and his co-worker, Clerc, and gave some interesting reminiscences of their acquaintance with them. It was nearly midnight when "all hands around" broke up the gathering Messrs. Colby and Kleinhans, who had the arrangements in charge, certainly outdid themselves, and the evening was voted one of the pleasantest experienced for some time past. The *Chronicle*, of Friday, in commenting on the affair said :

A successful entertainment and banquet, at which not an audible word was spoken, was given by the Pas-a-Pas Club last night in the clubrooms at 82 Lake street. Instead of the sound of voices there were fluttering fingers and flying hands, but smiling faces and signs of pleasure were nowhere absent. The Pas-a-Pas club is an organization of the deaf, and the exercises were commemorative of the one hundred and ninth anniversary of the birth of Rev. Thomas H. Gallaudet, the founder of deaf-mute instruction in America.

On the stage at one end of the banquet hall was a handsomely draped portrait of Gallaudet. Chairman Colby called the 125 members and friends to order by striking his hands together, and in a few well-chosen gestures introduced the first number.

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Frank G. Healy, deaf and dumb and homeless, was found in the alley in the rear of Saratoga- hotel Saturday afternoon with his feet frozen. He was taken to the county hosipital. As he is destitute the police will request the county agent to assist him. Healy is 41 years old and had at one time been an inmate of the poorhouse at Dunning. Without a place to sleep, he had tramped the streets all Monday night and finally had lain down in the alley. While asleep his feet were frozen.—*Tribune.*

Healy is a well-educated mute, and came here from Ireland years ago. Up to a short time ago he was employed at the Stock Yards, and his unfortunate circumstances are a surprise to those knowing him.

A press dispatch dated December 8th, from Bloomington, Ill., says :

James Woodrow, one of the most noted football players of Central Illinois, died last night at Deaconess hospital, in Normal, from typhoid fever. He was center rush in the Normal University eleven. He was 25 years old and was deaf and dumb. His wife, who was also a mute, died one year ago. He was an all-around athlete.

Miss Morgan, who succeeded Miss Alice Hudson as governess of little Josephine Crane, has been appointed principal of the McCowan Oral School at Englewood, taking Miss McCowan's place, Miss McCowan being principal of the Day Schools.

The Chicago Association of Parents of Deaf Children lately certified to the Secretary of State a change in the objects of incorporation and by-laws. The association met at the home of Mrs. Crane Thursday evening.

In last week's letter the notice of the marriage should have given the names of the bride and groom as Louisa Paus and John Pearce. Mr. Pearce is at present with the firm of Steinmetz Bros., the deaf cigar manufacturers.

Miss Emma Stahoska is setting type in an Englewood office. She came here from Minneapolis, Minn.

The Rev. Mr. Hasenstab will be in Minneapolis, Saturday and Sunday, the 19th and 20th insts. He goes at the invitation of a number of the deaf of that city, and will lecture Saturday evening and hold church services Sunday.

The club hall was the scene of another indoor base ball game Saturday evening. Sorry I have not the score.

F. P. G.

### BINGHAMTON NEWS.

A most enjoyable affair was the fifth anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. John Colgan's marriage (their wooden wedding) which was held Wednesday evening, November 25th, at their residence. About twenty mute friends were invited and the rooms were quite large enough to accommodate them. They enjoyed in high degree, the dancing and playing cards. The chief amusement of the evening was the tailing of a donkey, and when at last the pins were counted up, it was decided that Mr. Chas. Colgan was the prize winner, he got a Havana cigar and Mrs. J. Colgan received a doll concealed in a big bundle. The dumb band was played in a singular manner, and it puzzled them.

Mr. and Mrs. Colgan, sitting in the circle of these mutes, were overcome with surprise and delight by being presented with a handsome rocker from these mutes, a lovely fancy basket from Miss Minnie Clark, two costly frames from Mr. Williamson, and a pretty agate teapot from Mr. Joe Winters. Mr. King made the congratulatory address. Mr. John Colgan responded in the sign language his thanks.

About 11 o'clock they marched to the dining room and sat down to supper. The table was arranged to the best advantage. Everything attested to the fact that Mrs. Colgan was an excellent cook. The good things were discussed amid a good deal of fun and repartee, and all voted that clam chowder and turkey had lost none of their deliciousness. When the table had been cleared, they proceeded to dance in good style and staid till the sun rose. All reported that they had a splendid time indeed.

Among those present were : Mr. and Mrs. J. Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ensign, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. King, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Gage and Misses Minnie Clarke, of Nicholson, Pa., and Minnie Benninger, and Messrs James Lynch, Chas. Colgan, H. O'Hara, F. Morgan, Joe Winters, of Friendsville, Pa., and others.

Mr. Williamson left for Gravesend L. I., last Tuesday, to look after his estate. We look for his coming home before Christmas.

Mr. Robert Grant, of Livingstone Manor, N. Y., has been in Binghamton for a few days in search of a job. No job was found, but a promise was made for him after New Year. So he returned home with a cud of disappointment, but a good deal of patience for that promise.

Mr. Mike Manning, of Owego, spent Thanksgiving in Binghamton.

Mrs. Chas. Newton is visiting relatives and friends here.

Mr. J. Lynch has been idling for three weeks, owing to the lack of orders in the tannery. He will return to work in a few days.

Messrs. Colgan Bros. are running a cigar shop with good success.

The mutes sympathize with Colgan Bros. whose father met his death at Susquehanna, Pa., by falling into a well while trying to get water.

Three deaths, their parents and cousin, have occurred this year.

Miss M. Clark is a guest of Mrs. J. Williamson for three weeks.

BINGO.

Dec. 4, '96.

### NEW HAVEN, CONN.

SERVICE FOR DEAF-MUTES

In the Chapel of St. Paul's Church, cor. of Chapel and Olive Streets, on Sunday, December 27th, at 7:30 P.M.

# COLUMBUS.

## A Suggestion to Build a New Institution.

### PREPARING FOR THE HOME OPENING.

### A Poverty Party--Gallaudet Day Observed.

*From our Columbus Correspondent.*

The following are some of the leading points of the 70th annual report of the institution, recently presented to the governor. The trustees state that the current expenses the past year are $6000 less than the last preceding six years, notwithstanding the increased attendance. Not counting teachers, the force of supervision numbers 69, which is a reduction of nine from last year. The increased attendance has made it necessary to add to the teaching force, and also provide additional school rooms. The capacity of the house has reached its limit, and still there are several hundred deaf children of proper school age in the State that cannot be admitted for that reason. To provide for these the trustees suggest one of two remedies. Erect a large school building on some portion of the present grounds and use the vacated school rooms for dormitories. Sell the present property and purchase some other site whereon to build a structure or structures that will meet with the requirements of a school in all respects The tenor of the trustees' report favors the selling of the present place. It being in the heart of the city, has made the property very valuable, and its sale would go far towards paying for a new location and putting up a suitable building with modern improvements. Superintendent Jones speaks of the extension of the school term from 10 to 12 years, and the reorganization of the course of study in accordance therewith. Already good results are seen from this change. He refers to the Aural class started last spring, and proposes to do all he can to stimulate the facilities for latent hearing. Thirty-one teachers are employed, of which nine have aural classes. The Institution's appropriations during the year amounted to $84,100, the expenditures $57,733.75.

There is no balm for the blind in the x-ray talked so much about recently. Next we shall see it stated that the deaf can be restored to hearing by its influence, and after a trial the result will be like it has been with the blind—a cipher. Not long ago several pupils in the Blind Institution of this city were experimented upon under the most favorable conditions and by experts who understand the business. As might be expected, the result was negative.

The Ladies' Aid Society held a special meeting Tuesday evening, and voted to equip the Home kitchen with a range and furniture, and also to provide the rooms with window shades. The Board of Managers of the Home held meeting Saturday evening to attend to some important details anent the opening. The *Press* has this to say about the Home :

"There was a meeting of the Board of Trustees, composed of Messrs. Eggleston, McGregor and Schory, of the Home for the Aged Deaf, at the State Institution for the Education of the Deaf Saturday evening. The committee held a conference with Superintendent Jones, of the State Institution. The action of the board in deciding to open the home for the care of the aged deaf Thursday, December 10th will be hailed with delight by a large number of people who are deeply interested in the enterprise. It must be remembered that the Home for the Aged Deaf, located at Central College, is not a public Institution. It will be supported for the most part by charity, and a number of entertainments have already been held at the State Institution, the proceeds of which have gone to the private Institution. The fact that a home for the aged deaf exists in the State to-day is due to individual enterprise, and the promoters of the idea since they have succeeded in opening the home deserve great credit. Ten applicants will be received at the home when it opens next week. It is not hazardous to predict that the home of the aged deaf will in time become an Institution as important in many ways as the State Deaf and Dumb Asylum, especially in view of the statement in Superintendent Jones' late report to the governor that the asylum in this city is overcrowded."

Mrs. Virginia Neff, of Grove City, was chosen matron for the Home. She is the mother of a former pupil here, who died about a year ago. She is fitted for the duties, besides being acquainted with the sign language.

A set of rules for the government of the Home was reported by the committee to whom the matter had been previously referred. They were adopted after being slightly amended.

The preparation of a programme for the opening day exercises was left to Mr. Patterson to prepare.

Gallaudet Day at the Institution was not allowed to pass off without reference to it. Mr. McGregor at the chapel service in the morning gave a biographical sketch of the man to whom the deaf owe their education. In the school rooms also there was evidence that the pupils were made aware December 10th was a day worthy to keep in remembrance.

Miss Mary C. Bierce came down from Cleveland Thursday, to be present at the opening exercises of the Home to-day, and to put some of the finishing touches on the Cleveland room, which the deaf of that city have furnished.

The young ladies of the Reading Circle gave a poverty social Saturday evening, to which a number of their friends were invited. The affair took place at the boarding house of Miss Emma Bard. It was unique indeed, for every one who was invited was told to appear in truly poverty style, under pain of being assessed five cents for disregarding the mandate. The fines were donated to the Home. The costumes were all striking and novel, creating any amount of mirth. It was difficult for a while to find out who was who, as all the parties were under mask. Later in the evening refreshments were served. The coffee was distributed in tin cups and other eatables on wooden plates.

The following made up the party. Mrs. B. Miller, Misses Nettie Jones, Biggam, McRedmond, Dickson, Patterson, and Heyl, Bard and Lillee, composing the Circle; the invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Elsey, Mrs. Pier, Mrs. Siegwart, Mrs. Bard, Misses Feasley and Munnel, Messrs. Frank Jones, Neutzling, Zorn and Fred Schwartz.

Mrs. A. W. Mann, accompanied by her son and daughter, came down from Gambier last evening, to attend the exercises of the Home opening to day

A. B. G.

Dec. 12, '96.

### Ann Arbor, Michigan.

While the various organizations of deaf people throughout the Union were paying homage to the birthday of their educational benefactor, Thomas H. Gallaudet, Thursday, December 10th last, the mutes residing in the city of Ann Arbor, that well known College town, were gathered together by invitation at Mrs. Trenholm's residence, and enjoyed the occasion in talk and games, rounding the evening up with icecream and other refreshments.

Miss Jane McKee Campbell, ably assisted Mrs. Trenholm in receiving the company and kindly related a short sketch of Rev. Gallaudet's life, to explain to some of those present why we should be grateful to him. Then Mrs. Trenholm proposed a plan she had long been in hopes to carry out while she makes Ann Arbor her home, and that plan was to hold monthly religious services, provided the mutes here knew of some intelligent and willing deaf person residing nearby to be the lecturer, this winter, if the right man wanted can be found. Those who had the pleasure of being present were : Miss Jane McKee Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Boylan, Miss Goetz, Mr. George Storm and Mr. Ezra Bowen.

There are a number of mutes residing out of town, who would have been glad to join this "house warming," had they known Mrs. Trenholm. Mrs. Trenholm is a newcomer among us, but has met with cordiality from those living here. It is to be hoped that those of our many friends residing elsewhere had as pleasant evening on the 10th as we. We all send our the friends Christmas greetings of happiness and good cheer.

MAJILLA.

### NOTICE.

The deaf-mutes of Brooklyn and vicinity are cordially invited to attend a combined service, at eleven o'clock Christmas Day, in St. Mark's Church, Adelphi Street. The Holy Communion will be administered, with interpretation in the sign language, and all are earnestly asked to attend. Special pews will be assigned the deaf-mutes on the side of the church nearest DeKalb Avenue.

### Girl Made Deaf By Cruelty.

TWO LITTLE CHILDREN WITH NO HOME AND NO FRIENDS.

Agent Myers, of the Children's Society, took to the Lee Avenue Police Court, Williamsburg, Sadie and Mamie Quigley, nine and seven years old.

The youngest girl is deaf and dumb from exposure and neglect.

The children were in a miserable condition and almost too weak to stand.

The oldest girl says they have been sleeping in hallways and wagons two months.

The father of the children, Patrick Quigley, is being looked for by the police.

It is said the children's parents deserted them and let them wander around like animals.

The children were committed to a home. —*The Evening World.*

# PHILADELPHIA.

## Gallauet Day Fittingly Celebrated.

### AN ENJOYABLE SURPRISE PARTY.

### De l'Epee Association -- All Souls' Club--Various Items of Interest.

*From our Philadelphia Correspondent.*

Gallaudet Day was fittingly observed by All Souls' Working People's Club. The commemoration was quiet and unpretentious, but none the less sincere. It consisted of appropriate exercises, which had been arranged by President Ziegler. The Quarterly business meeting of the Club fell on the same day, but its business was disposed of with all possible dispatch, thus leaving ample time for a little celebration. Mr. Harry G. Gunkel was first called upon to speak of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, as the founder of deaf-mute education in America, which he briefly did. An historical sketch of Rev. T. H. Gallaudet was then given by Mr. John M. Wismer, after which Mr. Jas. S. Reider read extracts from Barnard's tribute to Gallaudet, referring to his early efforts and final success in establishing "the first and infant institution" for the instruction of the deaf in this country. Mr. Chas. W. Waterhouse followed with the "Character of Gallaudet, and then Miss Cora Ford rendered the following song by Mrs. Sigourney after the death of Gallaudet :

"We mourn his loss :—who meekly walked
In the Redeemer's way,
And toiled the unfolding mind to shield
From error's darkening sway ;

"Who strove through Nature's prisoning shades
The hermit-heart to reach,
And with philosophy divine
To give the silent speech"

President Ziegler here gave statistics of the growth of the cause of deaf-mute education since Gallaudet's time, giving the number of institutions, teachers, pupils, etc. Anecdotes of Gallaudet were given by Mrs. M. J. Syle and Messrs. Lipsett, Ziegler and Reider, and finally Mrs. Thomas D. Delp was called upon to give the concluding poem, comprising extracts from Albert C. Powell's poem on Gallaudet, which she rendered in a clear, impressive and graceful style, winning her much applause.

We append the extracts on account of their beauty of expression, and because it is not unlikely that many of the readers of the JOURNAL have never read them.

To Gallaudet, mutes owe their height,
How kind and good to help them rise
And take rank 'mong the learned and wise,
Lift them from darkness up to light,
And make their faculties mature,
And point them to the ways so pure.

To him at God's will fell the lot
To be in search of formal knowledge gone,
With sad but sincere heart he still alone
Over sea his way bent to the spot,
A long and weary way to the old lands.
And lo! he met with cold and selfish hands.

But baffled still in pains to get aid,
Pursuing yet his firm, decided drift
And looking for the real and proper thrift,
Still his true love on mutes he laid,
There Sicard met him with an open heart
And kindly he disclosed to him the art.

His knowledge eager he improved
Of language to him strange and new,
To patience was his final triumph due,
To save the deaf he truly loved,
All ready, he returned a school to found
And locate it upon the well-known ground.

The school began 'mid wished speed
With seven pupils, ardently they learned,
The priceless boon of education earned,
And mitigated their thirsting need,
He prayed for constant patience, skill and power,
And wisdom for his guide each trying hour.

He saw the schools ensuing thrive
To laureate his kind and noble deed,
And keep his rare benvolence alive
Thus their firm and constant welfare strove
With patient and disinterested love.

O, noble hearted Gallaudet!
As the mutes have been held high by the hands
And well-refined go over all the lands,
Their endless blessings thou wilt get!
Their love for thee no one can ever stay,
With gratitude they will praise thee for aye.

Following the above exercises several of the members repaired to Boothby's famous resturant on Chestnut Street, near 13th, where an informal banquet was held as a finale to the celebration. The price per plate was a dollar and a quarter, but that was considered as nothing compared with the enjoyment derived, both physically and mentally.

It is hoped that the celebration next year will be held on a larger scale, so as to give a greater number the opportunity to enjoy it.

A case of diphtheria has made its appearance at the Mt. Airy School, and in consequence the hospital building is quarantined. The authorities, however, expect no trouble, as the greatest possible care is taken.

Mr. Edward Hackett's mother died on Sunday morning, 13th, after a long illness. Edward also has a deaf sister. They lost their father by death only a few months ago. We extend them our sympathy.

A very enjoyable surprise party was that given to Mr. Charles Partington at his cozy home in Eddingston, near Chester, Pa., on Saturday evening, the 12th. Mr. Partington is a die-cutter by occupation. Both he and his wife were educated in England, and came to America some years ago. They have six children. The party was arranged by Miss Verdie Cornog, of Wilmington, Del., and Mr. John Tarry, of Upland, Pa. Mr. Partington was completely taken by surprise, when he entered the parlor, where he was called under a pretence. All went on pleasantly then until the time when refreshments were served, after which the party dispersed.

Besides Mr. and Mrs. Partington and their six children, there were present Mrs. Martha Parkinson, of Eddingstone ; Miss Mary Ormrod, Mr. Richard Ormrod, and Mr. Washington Houston, of Frankford ; Misses Ida M. Boyer and Verdie Cornog, of Wilmington, Del. ; Miss Emma Shields, of Chester, Pa. ; Miss Maggie McGonigal ; Miss Mattie Marshall, of Linwood, Pa. ; Mr. John Tarry, of Upland, Pa. ; Messrs. H. S. Stevenson, William A. Miles, and Eugene McCarthy, of Philadelphia.

On December 30th, the De l'Epee Association will give an entertainment at its rooms. One of the features of it is to be theatrical exhibition by the boys of St. Joseph's House. Mr. Michael Ryan will also give a prize to the member of the Association submitting the best essay on Archbishop Ryan. Refreshments will be had and an admission price of twenty-five cents charged.

Other information we obtained concerning the Del'Epee Association is as follows: On the first Sunday of each month there will be no service, but instead a lecture in the evening by one of the members. The subject of the last lecture, given by Mr. Morris Lang, was "How Napoleon passed his last Day on the Island of St. Helena." On every Tuesday evening the lady members hold literary exercises at the rooms, to which the men are excluded. The men hold similar exercises on Thursday evenings, with the ladies exlcuded.

President Ziegler, of All Souls' Club announced the following quarterly appointments last Thursday evening :

*Sergeant-at-arms*—Fred Stumpf.
*Literary Committee*—Wm. H. Lipsett, chairman, Chas. W. Waterhouse, Mrs. Wm. H. Lipsett.
*Library Committee.*—John M. Wismer, Chairman, Harry G. Gunkel, Miss S. McKinney.
*Social Committee.*—Mrs. Thomas D. Delp, Chairman, Miss A. B. Sheddy, Alpheus Nicely.

Charles W. Hagy, of Alburtis, Pa., is spending two weeks in the city.

James E. Morony, after waiting six months, has been called back to work.

F. W. Sibitzky, a German compositor, has been idle for four months.

Miss Katie Eisele saw the play of "The Last Stroke," a Cuban war play, at the People's Theatre in Kensington, last Saturday evening. She tells us that she was greatly impressed by it.

Margaret, a child of Mr. and Mrs. Bachman, was baptized in a Reformed Lutheran Church on Sunday, 6th inst.

Mrs. E. E. Roop and son, and Mrs. Chas. H. Sharrar, of Ryers, Pa., visited Merchantville, N. J., as the guests of Mrs. Herbert Scott, last Wednesday.

John T. Tarry, of Upland, Pa., a first class weaver, has worked in the mill of Samuel A. Crozer & Son for the past nine years. Mr. Samuel A. Crozer is a director of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.

J. S. R.

Dec. 14, 1896.

### SERVICES FOR DEAF-MUTES, DECEMBER 20th.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT, 3 P.M.

St. Ann's in the Church of St. John the Evangelist, N. Y., *omitted* in consequence of the 24th anniversary of the Church Mission to Deaf Mutes at the Church of the Incarnation, Madison Avenue and 35th, at 4 P.M.

St. Mark's Church, Adelphi Street, Brooklyn.

Trinity Church, Newark.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Newburgh, postponed from December 13th.

Gallaudet Home for Deaf-Mutes, 11 P.M. Holy Communion, postponed from December 13th.

Chapel of the Intercession, Boulevard and 158th Street, 11 A.M. Holy Communion.

CHRISTMAS DAY, 10.30 A.M.

Services and sermon interpreted for deaf-mutes in Church of St. John the Evangelist, N. Y.; St. Mark's, Brooklyn; and Trinity Church, Newark.

# NEW YORK.

## Doings and Sayings in the Metropolis.

### GALLAUDET DAY CELEBRATION.

### How it might be more Popularly Memorialized --- Can He "Ride the Goat?"---Review of Events Past and to Come.

*(From our Regular Correspondent.)*

Theo. I. Lounsbury's address is 226 East 59th Street, New York City.

The position of space-writer on a newspaper is certainly preferable to that of newschaser. A new idea is hatched every minute, and there are innumerable subjects to be aired, but weeks and weeks may pass with but a solitary birth, barely an engagement to be announced, nary a death, and nothing above mere gossip for the gleaner of news items to chronicle.

The present is such time. The reporter has been to the usual Sunday rendezvous and returned home with but three items of any importance, but through other sources the necessary material for this letter is forthcoming.

Gallaudet Day was celebrated in this city by the tottering old association that in its prime days was known through the breadth of the land as the powerful Manhattan Literary Association.

Eight members and twenty-six outsiders dined in one of the rooms of The Arena at the rate of $1.50 per plate. There might have been a hundred or more, but for what to many seemed a steep price.

Truly the association is to be commended for its efforts to perpetuate the day, but that it does not heed the popular cry for a popular demonstration at a price that is within the means of many is hardly its own fault. Better that some sort of a banquet is given than none at all.

If the deaf wish to celebrate the day on a wider scope it is in their power to do so. The M. L. A. cannot stop them. If there is a clash, the deaf public have their own choice of which to attend.

The M. L. A. have given a 50 cents affair. The deaf kicked at the grub.

They have given an affair gratis—free—to all who applied for tickets. The deaf kicked at the grub.

Then they gave a $1.50 affair. The deaf kicked at the price.

So, what are they to do?

There should be one day in the year that all the societies should combine to celebrate by a banquet of reception with refreshments, and Gallaudet Day is the day.

If the M. L. A., the Quad Club, the Xavier Union, the Union League, the New Jersey Society, and all the institutions for the deaf in Greater New York, sent one or more representatives to form a committee looking to this end, there would be a gathering never before equalled in the annals of the deaf of this city.

Certainly this is feasible. All that is necessary is for one of the societies to agitate the matter, and if approved confer with the others.

I was asked the other day to join the Knights of Honor, and on reminding my friend that the deaf were generally debarred, he suggested that a test case be made. If I succeed in riding the goat "I will make known the fact."

The Christmas numbers of the Sunday editions of the great dailies are immense. There is a keen rivalry perceptible between the *Herald*, the *Journal* and the *World*. One who buys the whole three has reading matter enough for weeks.

The *Silent Worker* for November, is as usual full of the good things looked for among its pages. It also enabled the "Telephone Man" of the *Mt. Airy World* to get up three columns last week?

Gibson McConnell, of Poughkeepsie, N.Y., has been in town the past few days, to see what chance there to is in getting a "sit" as compositor, as the typesetting machines have invaded his town.

Martin Glynn does not have to look for work. He keeps his ad. standing in the *World* whenever he feels shaky about his position, and the result is he generally has a call to some place whenever he wants it.

The Union League held their postponed regular business meeting last Saturday. On January 2d, they hold their inaugural dinner, which marks the eleventh year of their organization. An oil painting, the work of Jacques Alexander, was presented to Theo. S. Rose, a member, as a grateful recognition of his efforts in behalf of the league.

A boy baby was born to Mrs. Charles Jastram, on November 22d. The eight pounder is making Charles feel proud.

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# COLLEGE CHRONICLE.

## The 109th Anniversary T. H. Gallaudet.

## HOW OBSERVED AT THE COLLEGE.

### "Handy Andy" by Amateur Actors--The Happenings of a Week.

*From our Washington Correspondent.*

The 109th birthday anniversary of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet was appropriately observed here on the 11th. The Committee on Arrangements tastefully decorated the platform of the chapel with buff and blue bunting, flags and flowers. The large oil painting of the founder of deaf-mute instruction in America, was changed to the place so long held by that of Hon. Amos Kendall, and was a surprise to many who were unaware of it. When the exercises commenced at 7:30 o'clock, there was a large audience present. The entire Faculty occupied seats in the front row and behind were the students, the older pupils of the Kendall School, and invited friends. Mr. Nicholson, '97, as Chairman of the exercises, opened with a talk on "Why we celebrate," which fully explained the object of the celebration.

Misses Kershner and Price, '97, followed with a beautiful rendition in signs of Collins' ode, "How Sleep the Good." It was highly appreciated on account of its being appropriate to the occasion of the commenoration of the services of a great and good man as T. H. Gallaudet.

Mr. Whitlocke, '97, then gave a description of the early life of Gallaudet, his boyhood and education, and the beginning of his interest and sympathy for the deaf.

Miss Young, '98, narrated Mr. Gallaudet's experiences in England and France, the difficulties encountered, and final success; how he came across Laurent Clerc, whom he brought with on his return to America.

Mr. Smielau, '97, spoke on the later part of Gallaudet's life, enumerating in detail the fatiguing duties, the energy, discretion and devotion in the management of the first school for the deaf at Hartford, and his later connection with the Worcester hospital for the insane. He closed the story of Mr. Gallaudet's life, with these words which he quoted from Dr. Humphrey, a college classmate and life-long friend of Mr. Gallaudet: "He was a good man, with a great, overflowing heart. His philanthropy was no spring freshet to be dried up in summer, but a perennial fountain, always refreshing whenever the stream flowed. He was a good man, full of faith, abounding in charity and good works, and his record is on high."

President Gallaudet, one of the sons, was next introduced, and when he mounted the platform, he met with a rousing welcome from the audience. His talk was on "Mr. Gallaudet, as a father," with many reminiscences of his boyhood days under the parental roof. Several amusing stories were told of the punishments Dr. Gallaudet received for playing "truant."

Professor Porter furnished some reminiscences of Mr. Gallaudet's social and religious life.

Professor Draper spoke a few well-chosen words on the subject of the exercises, and expressed an earnest hope that the day will always be observed as it was on the evening of the 11th.

The exercises were brought to a close with the doxology by Misses Stemple and McGowan, '98, Vandegrift, '99, Titus, and E. Taylor, '00.

An hour was spent in social enjoyment, and dancing was indulged in by the lovers of the Terpsichorean art, until half-past ten, when all retired with many pleasant recollections of the evening.

We were treated to another evening entertainment by our amateur actors Saturday. The play, "Handy Andy," was an improvement over that given about a month ago, and speaks well for the committee. All the characters carried out their parts creditably.

Special mention must be made of Kestner, as the leading character, Davis, Haig, and Stuart. The cast of characters :

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| Handy Andy | Kestner, '97 |
| Squire Egan | Davis, '99 |
| Squire O'Grady | Zahn, '98 |
| Mr. Murphy | Haig, '00 |
| Dick Dawson | Rothert, '98 |
| Mr. Furlong | Darby, I. C. |
| Edward O'Connor | Stuart, I. C. |
| Simon | Fister, '98 |
| Oonah Rooney | Stutsman, '99 |
| Mad Nancy | Picard, '99 |
| Fanny Dawson | Pierce, '00 |

Number 3, of Volume V, of the *Buff and Blue* came out Thursday. The literary matter contains four different accounts of the lives of the principal moulders of creeds, which were contributed by Misses Morris, '97, and Titus, '00, and Messrs. Nicholson, '97, and Zahn, '98. The Alumni department continues to be a feature of the paper.

The Sophomore and Introductory classes met on the gridiron Wednesday for the class championship. To the surprise of everybody, the "ducks" played a good game and kept the Sophomores constantly hustling. Twice they appeared to have things their own way, and it took the combined efforts of Rosson, the Sophomores' captain, Brooks and Wornstaff, to prevent touchdowns. Stutsman played a good tackling game and handled the ball well as quarter. For the "ducks," Darby, Stuht and Fisher showed up well. The score at the end of two twenty-minute halves was 4–0 in favor of the Sophs.

The second eleven was to have closed its foot-ball season with the Business High School Saturday, but the latter failed to put up an appearance. The team was then photographed by Rosson.

With the close of the season, credit should be given to the members of the second eleven, who practised faithfully with the regular team. Some of them faced players on the regular team that were twice their size, but they pluckily held on to their work. The outlook for the eleven next year is very bright. There are at least six heavy and active men to fill the places of those who will retire with the class of '97. Games will be played every Wednesday when the weather permits, between a team made up of the candidates forthe '97 eleven, and the other of those who do not expect to return next year.

The "Lit" board has appointed Smielau, Nicholson and Whitelocke to look after the purchase of new books for the library.

Quite a number of the students and "co-eds" attended the opening of Congress last Monday.

Rosson, '99, has been elected captain of the '97 football team. His election is yet to be ratified by the athletic association.

We will have another bowling tournament during the holidays for the class championship. Great rivalry exists between every class for the possession of the title.

Miss Kershner, '97, received a wheel as a birthday present from her brother John, ex–'94.

"McKinley was shot," was what caused a good deal of excitement among the students a few days ago. Upon inquiry, the McKinley in question only turned out to be the dog that was greatly petted by the students.

Mr. and Mrs. Beadell took Misses Stemple and Vandegrift to Dekoven and Smith's Opera of "The Mandarin," at Columbia Theatre, Saturday afternoon. Misses Kershner and Rogers, and Mrs. Fowler, were also there.

Fellow Read will take parties of the "co-eds," to hear Rev. Talmage every Sunday.

Miss Price, '97, received a pleasant call from Mrs. Beadell the other evening.

Miss Dudley (Fellow) now rooms at Prof. Chickering's.

Rev. Mr. Koehler, was in town several days. Friday evening he conducted services at Ascension Church, and Holy Communion services were held this morning. This afternoon he conducted services in our chapel, taking for his text St. Paul 15 : 4. He leaves for Baltimore, where he holds services this evening.

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Mr. Bayard is an eloquent orator, peculiarly gifted in the art of after-dinner speaking. There is no man in public life, not even Mr. Depew, of New York, who can respond to a toast with greater satisfaction to all concerned, or who appears to better advantage on an occasion of ceremony, whereas Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Ambassador in Washington, is no orator at all. He has made but one speech, so far as I can remember, since he has been in Washington, and that was a very brief explanation forced from him at the commencement exercises of the Gallaudet College for the Deaf and Dumb in this city, when a Hindoo from India and a subject of Sir Julian's sovereign, stated that he was compelled to accept of the privileges offered to deaf-mutes by the government of the United States, because he could not get them from the government of Great Britain. Sir Julian Pauncefote, who sat upon the platform, found it necessary to say something, and managed to extricate himself from an embarrassing situation with great skill. He has received many invitations to attend and to address public gatherings, but invariably declines to do so.—*Chicago Record.*

### Figs and Thistles.

Every step the good man takes means something.

The man who rules himself will be a king to others.

Time spent in watching a hypocrite is time wasted.

Whoever fights against truth is sure to lose in the end.

True faith can never be destroyed by being disappointed.

### OMAHA, NEB.

The Thanksgiving festivities at the Institution were of the usual order. No deaf from outside put in an appearance save John Toner. He is a carriage painter, and has had his present place for about four years.

The 26th was a very stormy day, in fact, we had a vigorous young blizzard. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor had quite a time of it in coaching to the Institution. They live about a mile from the school. That morning Mr. Taylor had put the big heating stove, and he declares he never did a luckier thing in his life. We hear on every hand of fearfully cold weather, and we are "no worse off than we are."

The last few days, fifty directors, whose business will be to chose a site and manage the details of our great Trans-Mississippi Exposition, were elected. Now to work, and in 1898 to show to our Eastern neighbors of what the great country west of the Mississippi is capable.

On account of the inclemency of the weather, the writer was unable to attend the last meeting of the Club, at which the attendance was not as large as usual, owing to the cold.

A course of lectures, to be given by the Faculty of the Institution, has been arranged. Mr. Taylor heads the list with a lecture on "Cuba," which was much enjoyed by all the children present. Only the older pupils attend these lectures, so they assemble in the girls' study hall, instead of going up to the chapel.

Mr. Moseley delivers the next lecture—his subject being "Coal"—He said he wanted "Coal" for his subject, because it was so easy to spell.

Little Ruth Comp is better, but is still under the doctor's care.

The Institution folks were quite surprised to see the genial face of Herbert G. Merrill, a few days ago. He has lately taken unto himself a wife, the lady in question being Miss Thoma, one of the Iowa graduates of '93. Mr. Merrill is a barber, and has a good "shave" in Council Bluffs, where he and his "better half" are now keeping house.

"Coming events cast their shadows before," and oh! dear, it will soon be Christmas, and then it will be time to turn over a new leaf and make resolutions—you may not keep them, but you will have the virtuous feeling of having made them—the keeping thereof is a very secondary matter, indeed.

The engagement is announced of Mr. John Steyer and Miss Hagedorn. Mr. Steyer lives in Coffman, about twelve miles from Omaha.

Recently Mr. Kline drove to Cedar Bluffs with Mr. Aronson. They did the thirty five miles between here and Cedar Bluffs in about seven hours. There they visited Mr. and Mrs. John W. Staats, who have a well-stocked farm. They were formerly pupils in the Omaha School.

Mr. Hunt is out of work. He is a painter and paper-hanger by trade.

Mrs. Zorbaugh, of Council Bluffs, who is well-known here, has been for some time laid up with that dread affliction—rheumatism. At present writing she is some what improved. She is the mother of the Rev. Mr. Charles Zorbaugh, now filling the pulpit of a popular church in Cleveland, Ohio, and of Miss Grace Zorbaugh, now teaching in the Presbyterian College in Salt Lake City.

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### For Chapped Hands and Face.

These are the days when chapped hands, rough faces and cracked lips actually cry out for treatment such as will protect them from the eagerness of the nipping winds and the blasts of driving sleet and storm which winter is sure to bring. The basis of "cold cream" is mutton tallow always. You can obtain this at the butcher's and if you tell what it is for, he will select some very fine white tallow which will be exactly what you want. Cut the tallow into bits and put it into a saucepan without any water. Then set the saucepan in a jar of boiling water and let all remain until the fat is thoroughly fried out of the tallow. Strain through a fine sieve, and while still warm stir in a teaspoonful of the essence of camphor in the proportion of one teaspoonful of camphor to every cup of the tallow. Next a tablespoonful of your favorite perfume, and stir until all is a sweet smelling liquid. Before it has had time to cool pour into a little toilet jar and set upon the ice over night. It will keep indefinitely and will be found one of the best remedies in the world for the skin that gets rough and "winter sore."—*New York Telegram.*

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The Rev. A. W. Mann expects to attend the 24th anniversity Service at the Church of the Incarnation, New York, Sunday, December 20th, and so postpones the appointments for Cleveland, already announced in the JOURNAL.

### EDGEWOOD PARK, PA.

There is still some game left in Washington Country. Messrs. Allabough and Sawhill went, they saw but—did not conquer everything in sight, especially the "nawsty wet weather," and in consequence came home, each with a solitary bunny and no toothsome quail or pheasant. Better luck to then another time.

Having tried their guns, they concluded to try their wheels last Saturday, and rode to Butler and back, making a trip nigh on to eighty miles, which is pretty good for a short winter day.

Thanksgiving Day was passed in the usual day—some foot-ball, lots of turkey and plenty of talk. In the evening a social was held in the boys' hall, and everybody let themselves loose for a good time.

Dr. Gillett, the travelling advocate of oralism, put in an appearance at our school on Thanksgiving Day. He remained with us until the following Monday, when he left for the West Virginia school. The doctor seems more enthusiastic over articulation, pure and simple, than ever. He appears to have met with many more "revelations" and encouragements, and from his remarks are led to think that the oral method of instruction is becoming more and more popular throughout the country, and many successes are recorded, where formerly nothing was expected in the way of speech. He paid the Philadelphia Institution a glowing tribute for uniformity of success in oral and lip-reading accomplishments.

Gallaudet Day was celebrated by the Gallaudet Literary Society, as has been its custom, by a special programme at its regular meeting on the 5th inst. The programme consisted of sketches by the girl members, of the various phases in the life and work of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, including the work of his sons on the same lines. The programme was well carried out, and the young ladies deserved the favorable comment of the audience.

After the sketches a declamation, "Sacred Silence," by Miss Teressa Cawley, was rendered in graceful signs and which elicited much applause.

At the meeting a fine crayon portrait of Laurent Clerc, handsomely framed, was presented to the society by Mr. John Rolshouse, the rising young artist. The gift was much appreciated, and a vote of thanks given the generous donor.

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### Old Words and their Meaning.

Gallon was originally a pitcher or jar, no matter of what size.

Jade originally signified any rude person without regard to sex.

Craven was at first a man who had craved or begged his life of an enemy.

Polite at first meant polished, and was applied to any smooth, shining surface.

The word "idea" formerly meant a completed performance, whether mental or physical.

The word "tomboy," now applied to a rude young woman, formerly meant a rude young man or boy.

Furlong was at first a furrow long, or the distance that a pair of oxen could plow in an hour.

Shrewd once signified evil or wicked. Thomas Fuller used the expression "a shrewd fellow," meaning a wicked man.

The word "hoyden," now applied exclusively to a noisy young woman, formerly denoted a person of like character but of either sex.

Equivocation, a word now applied to any evasion, was once understood to mean the calling of diverse things by the same name.

Peck at first meant a basket or receptacle for grain or other substances.

Starve was once to die any manner of death. Wycliffe's sermons tell how "Christ starved on the cross for the redemption of men."

Acre once meant any field It is still used with this significance by the Germans, who speak of "God's acre," alluding to the cemetery.

Bombast once signified the cotton that was employed to stuff garments, particularly the enormous trunk hose worn in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries.

Termagant was formerly a quarrelsome person of either sex, and only the lack of gallantry of the men has limited the word to its present significance.—*Orange County Farmer.*

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Mr. James Gordon Bennett of the New York *Herald* has a strange and erratic memory. One day, having bought a number of new shirts, he ordered them sent immediately to the office. The parcel duly arrived and remained there for over a year, Mr. Bennett, meantime, never putting in an appearance. Suddenly, without any notice, he rushed in one morning, evidently in a state of great perturbation. The staff concluded they were all to be discharged on the spot. Mr. Bennett excitedly asked: "Have those confounded chemisiers sent my shirts along?" He never even alluded to the lapse of time which had occurred since his last visit.

### Crusoe's Island.

A peculiar story comes from London by letter to the effect that a vessel bound for Madrid reports the destruction of San Juan Fernandez island, Robinson Crusoe's fabled home, by volcanic forces, some time last May or June. The letter containing the news was received yesterday by a gentleman well known in shipping circles, and is credited by him. The writer claims to have had the story from the master of the vessel reporting the occurrence.

The story goes that the vessel was in the vinicity of San Juan Fernandez island for some time. The island was seen to bo engulfed in fire, smoke and burning lava, and was shaken with earthquakes that could be felt on board the vessel. The fisherman, of whom a hundred or more live on the island, were driven into the ocean and drowned, and finally the entire island disappeared from view beneath the waves.

The ship-master who is quoted as telling the story, said that he reported the strange occurrence to the Chilean Government, and that in consequence a vessel was sent out to investigate.

The island in question is or was situated in the Pacific Ocean off the lower coast of Chile, and inhabited by a race of people more degraded than the lowest Indians. Few vessels ever stopped there, as the coast was rugged and the place uninviting.

While popular fancy has fixed upon Juan Fernandez as the fabled home of Robinson Crusoe, because Alexander Selkirk spent many lonely years on the island, a society has recently been formed in New York with the intention of disproving the theory. The members intend to fit out an expedition next winter to find the real Robinson Cruose island, which they believe to be in the Atlantic, off the mouth of the Orinoco River.—*Ex.*

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### Notes About Shoes.

Straw sandals are still in use in China and Japan.

Egyptian shoes were made of palm and papyrus, interlaced.

The ancient Persians wore close-fitting boots reaching to the knees.

The "brogan" of to-day gets its name from the rawhide "brog" of the ancient Britons.

Egyptian hieroglyphics show the cobbler to have been known in the time of the Ptolemys.

Removing the shoes is still a mark of respect in the East, as it has been for thousands of years.

The Roman women wore house slippers with cork soles, and increased their height by building up these soles to a great thickness.

The Greeks of 2,000 years ago wore shoes closely corresponding to those of the present. Those of the women were frequently green in color, while the "dudes" wore white.

The turn-up toes fashionable in England during the 300 years of the Plantagenet dynasty, were sometimes two feet in length, and were fastened to the knees by gold or silver chains—*Mabel Irene Putnam.*

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### Orlando's Forecast.

"Orlando," she exclaimed, "the baby has a tooth!"

"Has he?" was the response in a tone which betrayed no emotion.

"You don't seem a bit surprised."

"I'm not surprised. All babies have first teeth. If this one didn't have any I'd manage to get up some excitement, maybe."

"I thought you'd be pleased and happy about it."

"No. I don't see that it's any occasion for especial congratulation. The baby has my sympathy."

"Sympathy! For what?"

"For having his first tooth. He has just struck the opening chapter of a long story of trouble. Pretty soon he'll have other teeth."

"Of course he will."

"Every one he cuts will hurt him. Then his second teeth will come along, and push these out. That will hurt him again. Some of the new ones will come in crooked, like as not, and he will have to go to the dentist and have a block and tackle adjusted to them to haul them around into line. Then he'll cut his wisdom teeth. That'll hurt him some more. After that he'll have to go to the dentist and let him drill holes hammer till his face feels like a great palpitating stone quarry. I wouldn't want him to go through life without teeth. But I must say that I don't see any occasion for the customary hilarity over an event that means so much in the way of sorrow and humiliation."—*Detroit Free Press.*

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Alphonse Karr, the French humorist, once sent to his neighbor, an Italian Count, to borrow a certain book. The count, whose library was famous, regretted that it was his rule never to let his books leave the house, but invited Mr. Karr to come over and make a free use of the library—which he did. A short time afterward the count needed a sprinkler, and sent to his literary neighbor. Karr sent to the count an extremely polite note: "I deeply regret the impossibility of obliging you by the loan of a sprinkler, but as a matter of principle I could not possibly allow my sprinkler to be used outside of my garden; but if you desire to use it on my own lawn I shall gladly place the sprinkler at your disposal all day."

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